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## ANTLERS BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

REDDING – The California Department of Transportation along with the Federal Highway Administration has awarded a contract for the Antlers Bridge Replacement Project to Tutor Perini of Sylmar, CA for \$125 million, 43% below the engineer's estimate. After final contract approval scheduled for the beginning of October, construction will begin in mid-October. The project is financed with federal and state transportation dollars through the State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

This project will replace Antlers Bridge on Interstate 5 in Shasta County over the Sacramento River arm of Shasta Lake near the community of Lakehead. The new structure will be a 1,942-foot long, 104-foot wide, five-span concrete bridge. It will be constructed on a new parallel alignment slightly east of the existing bridge. In addition, a 0.4 mile long section of highway south of the bridge will be realigned and the existing 1,330-foot long structure will be demolished and removed.

During the five-year construction, there may be some inconvenience to traffic and recreational activities. However, Antlers Boat Ramp will remain open and lake access through the construction zone will be maintained.

The public should be aware that there will be:

- Construction activity for a period of about five years
- Noise and dust
- Freeway traffic detours
- Restrictions to certain areas near the construction zone
- Detours and speed reduction zones on the lake near the project
- Temporary northbound off ramp and southbound onramp closure at Antlers Road Interchange

The project is anticipated to be complete by the fall of 2014. For more information please contact the Public Information Office at 530-225-3260.

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